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BOARD OF TRUSTEES

CENTRAL WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY

Board of Trustees Retreat Minutes Special Session July 30-31, 2009

Approved October 2, 2009

Present

Mr. Sid Morrison, Chair
Ms. Patricia Notter
Ms. Kate Reardon
Ms. Annette Sandberg
Mr. Keith Thompson, Vice Chair

Absent

Ms. Leslie Jones

Others Present

Dr. James L. Gaudino President
Dr. Ellen Hall, Interim Vice President for University Relations
Ms. Judy B. Miller, Secretary to the Board
Dr. Wayne Quirk, Provost/Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs
Mr. Alan Smith, Assistant Attorney General
Dr. Elizabeth Street, Chief Planning Officer
Dr. Charlotte Tullos, Associate Vice President for Student Affairs
Mr. Bill Vertrees, Interim Vice President for Business and Financial Affairs

July 30, 2009

Convened in Special Session (9:10 a.m.)

Dr. Gaudino introduced the retreat's three main discussion topics—Enrollment Planning, Space and Facilities Planning and Land Management, and Research Partners.

Enrollment Planning – 1

Tracy Terrell, Registrar; Kathy Gaer-Carlton, Director of Admissions; and John Swiney, Associate Vice President for Enrollment Management presented information on student recruitment and retention efforts.

Space and Facilities Planning and Land Management – 2

Richard DeShields, Senior Director for Housing and New Student Programs reviewed the university's housing master plan and the schedule for demolition, new construction, and renovation of existing halls over the next thirty years. Possible collaborative initiatives, such as museums and art galleries, between the City of Ellensburg and the university were discussed.

Research Partners – 3

Discussion on this topic involved board support for proposed projects of the university's research foundation and partnerships with local companies. Local and regional problems—cultural surveys, water and resource analysis, renewable energy, and other similar issues—could be included. The foundation would be the primary partner on Innovation Partnership Zone [IPZ] projects with private, institutional, and public partners. The initial project would serve Kittitas County. A safe harbor policy that would provide institutional freedom to pursue public and private partnerships was also

discussed.

Recessed at 4:47 p.m.

July 31, 2009

Reconvened at 8:30 a.m.

Mr. Vertrees discussed overall state and nonstate annual budget accounting processes and the process for planning, completing, and maintaining capital projects. The university lets bids for design and construction of state-funded projects. In self-funded projects, the university functions as a developer and secures design professionals and a low-bid contractor. Alternative public works projects and public/private partnerships were also discussed.

Other Issues – 5

Provost Quirk discussed online courses and the creation of a task force of faculty and administrators to review issues relating to such courses. A proposed \$40 fee to provide 24-hour technical support for students enrolled in online courses will be presented to the board for action in October.

During the 2009-10 academic year, trustees will be scheduled for lunch in other buildings. The board discussed the advancement of agenda items and committee chair involvement.

The board encourages shared governance and, as stipulated in their bylaws, invites chairs of the Faculty Senate and the Exempt Employee Association and the president of the Associated Students of Central Washington University Board of Directors to participate as representatives to the board and deliver an oral report at board meetings. Executive officers of all other employee groups are invited to attend board meetings as audience members.

Evaluation criteria for the president's annual assessment will be discussed in October.

Election of Board Officers – 6

Motion 09-52: A motion to retain Sid Morrison as chair and Keith Thompson as vice chair was presented by Ms. Notter and seconded by Ms. Sandberg. Motion carried.

Adjourned at 12:08 p.m.

Next Meeting

The Board of Trustees will meet in regular session October 2, 2009, Barge 412, on the Ellensburg campus.

Judy B. Miller, Secretary to the
Board of Trustees
Central Washington University

Sid Morrison, Chair
Board of Trustees
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